Lesbian seeking gay man for marriage

The app, called Queers, allows **gay men** to connect to a network of over 4000 **lesbians** in order to enter into a 'co-operative marriage'.

The agreement which is referred to as a 'xinghun' in China, operates much like the Western notion of a beard, whereby a person may date someone in order to conceal their sexuality.

Users of the app have explained a xinghun allows them to continue with the appearance of heterosexuality and conceal their sexuality from oftentimes conservative parents.

Although **China** decriminalised homosexuality in 1997, many of the nation's older generation still view being **lesbian** or **gay** as a mental illness (China removed the classification of homosexuality as a mental disorder in 2001).

Founder of Queers, Liao Zhuoying said since the app launched two weeks ago, he has had over 10,000 users sign up.

Liao said Queers was a by-product of his company's dating and meet-up apps, Gaypark and Lespark. He told the South China Post he had noticed a section of gay men were searching for lesbian wives whilst on his sites so he conducted a survey to canvas the needs of his community and Queers was born...

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